

Questions For Cindy Hoge

1. Did you have a conversation with meteorologist Paul Poteet on the evening of the accident concerning the potential weather front that was approaching?

2. What time did this conversation take place?

3. Were there follow up conversation prior to the accident?

4. Was weather data supplied by the National Weather Service discussed?

5. What information was discussed?

6. Did you view the approaching weather front on a weather monitor (computer)?

7. What advice did the meteorologist give you concerning the approaching weather front?

8. Was evacuation of the Hooper Lottery Stage Area discussed?

9. What was the window time for the approaching weather front?

- 19 10. Who makes the decision to delay the scheduled STAGE Activity if a weather related problem occurs?
- 9 8 11. Who was responsible for monitoring weather conditions for the State Fair?
- 10 12. How was pending weather conditions communicated to the Fair staff?
- 11 13. What weather information was discussed concerning what other areas of the state and country were experiencing on the approaching weather front?
- 14 14. Was the option of delaying the scheduled performance of Sugarland discussed?
15. Who makes the decision to delay the show?
16. Is there a defined time in advance of a weather situation that has been established in order to protect employees so that they maybe moved to a safe location?

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STATEMENT
INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
INDIANA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

I, Cindy Hoge CYNTHIA C. HOGE, reside at
9933 CUMBERLAND RIDGE LN in the City of FISHERS
County of HAMILTON (number and street), State of INDIANA, ZIP code 46037
My telephone number is (area code) ~~317-460-1234~~ / W - (317) 927-7501
I have been employed by ISFC
located at 1202 E. 38th ST, INDRPS., IN 46205
(number and street, city, state and ZIP code)
office telephone (area code) ()
My job classification is/was EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ISFC.

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I hereby dispose and say: (1) I'm the Executive Director of the ISFC AND I manage the entire facility (2) I have a copy of the Emergency Response Plan and Simplified Plan that is on the web site (3) There is no evacuation plan for the STAGE AREA (4) STAGE is owned by Mid America Union Stage HAND erect the STAGE (5) No I don't know (6) STAGE HANDS AND Mid America (7) STAGE HANDS AND Mid America (8) IT is a cooperative relationship between the performers AND STAGE HANDS. We can work with Dave Lucas and they have a representative present - Eric Milby. (9) The information is provided by the National Weather Service. (10) Ray Allison monitors the weather.

Statement of

Ms Hoge

- (11) A phone system has been put in place The Auto dialer. (12) Sent out by auto dialer. by Roy Allison (13) Two weather updates were sent out (14) YES there WAS two. (15) Yes about 8pm. He offered publicly to delay the show. (16) Approximately 8pm. (17) To delay the event Trailer one trailer for STAGE hand break area. Paul Pfeet was in the production trailer. (18) Dave Lucas, Steve Simmersen, myself, Annie O'Toole (19) Yes that is the only reason we had the meeting @ approximately 8pm (20) We were under the impression the storm would be around 9:15 we were trying to establish a time line. (21) YES I looked at Mid America's screen (22) This group was the group discussing the weather later (23) spoke with Capt Weaver. (24) Two years ago Oak Ridge Boys (25) Eric Milby (26) You would have to ask Eric Milby. (27) Three Pac Vans were present (1) STAGE hand (2) Production (3) I don't know what the 3rd one was used for possibly

Refused to Sign

9/9/11
JH

Questions for Cindy Hoyer

1-What are your duties at the Indiana State Fair?

2-Do you have a copy of the Indiana State Fair Emergency Evacuation Plan? /

3-Does the Emergency ~~Evacuation~~ ^{RESPONSE} Plan have procedures for evacuation at the stage area of the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand?

4-Do you know who is responsible to OBTAIN the Load Bearing Roof used at the stage of the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand?

5-Do you know who is responsible to SET UP the Load Bearing Roof used at the stage of the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand?

6-Do you know who is responsible to MAINTAIN the Load Bearing Roof used at the stage of the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand?

7-Do you know who is responsible to TAKE DOWN the Load Bearing Roof used at the stage of the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand?

8-Do you know who is in charge of the workers at the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand stage?

9-Do you know who / what entity supplies weather information used at the Indiana State Fair?

10-Do you know who has responsibility for monitoring weather conditions at the Indiana State Fair?

11-Do you know if there is a defined time has been established, in advance of a weather situation, that a weather warning will go out at the Indiana State Fair?

12-How were the pending weather conditions communicated to the State Fair Staff?

13-Do you know if any weather advisory was sent out of the Auto-dialer used at the Indiana State Fair?

14-If so, was there more than one?

15-Did you have a conversation with Paul Poteet of Saturday August 13, 2011 concerning the potential weather front that was approaching?

16-When did that occur?

17-What advice, if any, did he offer at that time?

18-Was anyone else present during your conversation with Mr. Poteet?

19-Did you discuss any weather information that you had received earlier in the day with Mr. Poteet?

20-Did Mr. Poteet offer any advice about the time window for the approaching storm?

21-Did you personally view the approaching weather front on a weather monitor / computer, or on a phone / I-pod, or some other way?

22-Did you share the information/opinion of Mr. Poteet with anyone else, or did you have discussions with anyone else prior to having the announcement made from the stage about the weather?

23-If so, who?

24-Do you know if there has ever been a performance at the stage of the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand which had the start delayed or ended early due to weather conditions?

25-Do you know who makes or made the call to do that?

26-Do you know who had the option of delaying the scheduled performance of the Sugarland performance?

27-There were three trailers located to the northeast of the stage on the night of the roof collapse. Do you know what they were used for or who used them?

QUESTIONS ASK Cindy Hays ON 12-7-57
2:00 pm

① Were you involved in developing An Emergency Action Plan or Emergency Response Plan.

Who Trained → Does the Emergency Action Plan cover employees

② Were you involved in a tabletop ~~exercise~~ exercise ~~total~~ can you explain it.

③ WAS there a report on the ~~exercise~~ exercise

④ Was A Life Safety Evaluation done by who

⑤ DO you happen to know how many tickets were sold for the Sugarland Concert on 8-13-17

⑥

Did they implement before or after stage collapse

⑦ Do you recall making any statements after the Sugarland Scenario that in practice, refunds would have to be considered.



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INDIANA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

I, Cynthia C. Hays, reside at
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I hereby dispose and say: ① yes on Emergency Response Plan - year round, I reviewed DRAFT documents. For addition I was involved in conversation & content - Ray Allison preparer - various numbers of management reviewed document. I would have to go back & re-read it. Employee safety & public safety together BUT I can't tell you specifically what plan says. Ray Allison, Mark Anderson, Otis Baker has done training for employees. ② yes July 12, City-Indianapolis Homeland Security Initiative, T. Brink Jr

Statement of

Cindy Hope

A number ~~part~~ responders - ^{state police} EMS, key ^{monument} ^{from our area}

A way you can talk about some BEST PRACTICES & hopefully implement them based on what you discussed. IT IS NOT RECORDED. (3) They were to prepare minutes from the meeting I've never seen them. We have been talking about a TABLETOP EXERCISE & wanted to get it done before the fair. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME we did it. (4) I am not familiar with NFPA 101. We know the occupancies of the buildings out here. I personally do not work with the ACTS - ERIC MILBY would be responsible for showing Emergency Response Plans to ACT. I do not give a copy to ERIC MILBY - I don't know for sure if Ray Allison gives a copy to ERIC MILBY. Ray Allison is not required at this point to keep a RECORD of HIS DISTRIBUTION of Emergency Response Plan.

1st scenario on TABLETOP - EXTREME HEAT

Statement of

C. R. Hays

Chemical spill for 2nd one worst one
was weather that would affect Substack
concert. We had a lot of recommendations

Extreme heat we ordered a mesh
or mesh tent we placed on track,
cooling station. Talked about how we
could change our messaging. We
would - ^{talker about} water stations - neck coolers
on chemical tank - encapsulate building.
Turn off air handling system - trained
directors on control panels - third
we implemented an evaluation plan
such as making sure attendees
knew where to evacuate - Remove
barricades - Talked to employees - Have
scanners for entry to Granston, eliminated
those. These were all implemented before

the fair. No I don't recall recommendations
about refunding money at Substack concert.

(6) Roughly 12000 / I don't recall
making a statement

- ① Delay Show ② Postpone Show
- ③ Cancel Show

STATEMENT (Affirmation continued)

Statement of

Cindy Hoge

I have authority to cancel or delay
Show. State Police & ACT
Road or Tour members has authority
Heber, don't recall last
name. I don't believe it states
in Emergency Response Plan who can
cancel or delay show

By placing my signature below and initials in various locations of this document, I am affirming that I made these statements to the CSHO whose signature is below and that I have read all of the statements in this document. Furthermore, I understand that it is a violation of Indiana Code § 22-8-1.1-37.1 to make a false statement, representation, or certification in any application, record, report, plan, or other document required pursuant to Chapter 1.1 of the Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Act (IOSHA).

I affirm under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing representations are true.

Signature:

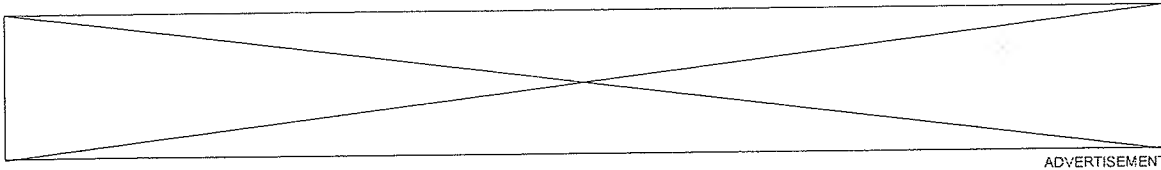
Date (month, day, year)

Printed name of Compliance Officer:

I affirm under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing is a true record of the testimony given by said deponent.

Signature of Compliance Officer:

Date (month, day, year)



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For the record: Video of announcement before Sugarland stage collapse

11:36 PM, Aug. 16, 2011



Written by
David
Lindquist

If confusion remains about what was said onstage before Saturday night's stage collapse at the Indiana State Fair, a concertgoer's YouTube clip captures the announcement in its entirety.

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WLHK-FM (97.1) executive Bob Richards spoke on behalf of fair executive director Cindy Hoyer and State Police Captain Brad Weaver.

Richards spoke for 55 seconds, and the statement is transcribed here:

"Good evening.

How are you?"

(cheers in crowd)

"As you can see to the west, there are some clouds.

We are all hoping for the best — that the weather is going to bypass us.

But there is a very good chance that it won't.

So just a quick heads-up before the show starts:

If there is a point during the show where we have to stop the show onstage, what we'd like to have you do is calmly move toward the exits and then head across the street to either the Champions Pavilion, the Blue Ribbon Pavilion or the Pepsi Coliseum.

And then, once the storm passes and everything's safe, we're going to try our best to come back and resume the show — which we have every belief that that's going to happen."

(cheers in crowd)

"So please get ready, because in just a couple of minutes we're going to try to get Sugarland onstage.

Have a great show."

Watch the YouTube clip, posted by dougdenisem94, [here](#).

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I, Notes from Opening interview, reside at _____

in the City of _____

County of _____ (number and street) State of _____ ZIP code _____

My telephone number is (area code) (_____) _____

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I hereby dispose and say: ① Who is in charge of Grandstand
There is a director

Two Commission employees assigned to work with the director

② Who is in charge of the STAGE

③ " " " " " " Mrs Hoge has authority and approves recommendation Dave Lucas entertainment - Producer in charge of Safety of STAGE

Joint between entertainer and Director Hoge.

Who is in charge of roof installation:

Mid America in charge of the roof installation
Bob requests copy of contract with Mid America

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Statement of

ROOF is NOT the property of ISFC

ISFC owns the concrete and dressing Rm below.

Only one contract for the load bearing roof ISFC hires Mid America to erect the load bearing roof and STAGE Area.

Do not train STAGE HAND due to being sub contractors ERIC Milby is an employee of DAVE LUCAS entertainment There is a contract between ISFC and DAVE Lucas Entertainment. A professional photographer took photo of the rear of the STAGE. Thorton Thomasitti HAS reconstructed the STAGE.

When was the Hoosier STAGE AREA last evacuated Panel does NOT KNOW ISFC has NOT seen any type of "build plan" No one in the room was
 • Fixed Amount is paid to Mid America for roof
 • " " " " " The billing Services.

Paul Polite - hired to measure rain due to ISFC's insurance. In case of rain damage. He is under contract to measure rain amount. ERMCO is electrical contractor also handles sound board and house lights.

• Who directs STAGE HANDS: DAVE Lucas AND STAGE Mgr of ACTORS
 Mid America directed STAGE HANDS during erection of the STAGE

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Statement of

ISFC does not have a build plan.

No union time sheet. ISFC only gets one
bill to pay invoice for labor paid